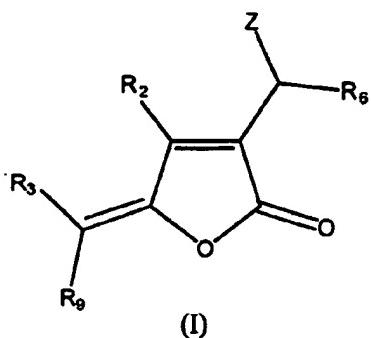


Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (previously presented): A compound according to formula (I):



wherein R₆ is C₄-C₂₅ alkyl;

R₂ and R₃ are independently or both H or halogen;

R₉ is halogen;

Z is independently selected from OH, alkoxy, halogen, OC(O)R₆, =O, amine, azide, thiol, mercaptoalkyl, alkenyloxy, mercaptoalkenyl, aryloxy, mercaptoaryl, arylalkyloxy, mercaptoarylalkyl, SC(O)R₁₀, OS(O)R₁₀, OS(O)₂R₁₀, NHC(O)R₁₀ = NR₄ or NHR₄;

R₄ is OH, alkyl, alkoxy, poly(ethylene glycol), alkenyl, aryl or arylalkyl;

R₁₀ is H, OH, alkyl, alkoxy, oxoalkyl, alkenyl, aryl or arylalkyl; and

wherein each substituent can be substituted or unsubstituted, straight chain or branched chain.

Claim 2 (previously presented): A compound according to formula (Ia):